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TRUSTEES HOLD ANNUAL SPRING MEETING

Kellogg, McMillen to Head 'Life' Board Next Year

Appointments Announced At Annual Banquet Held In Hotel Utica, March 21

Current Issue Is Last To Be Printed Under Aegis of Old Staff

8 Editors Named

Persike to Head Business Staff with Batts and Hitchcock as Aides

The annual **Hamilton Life** banquet was held in the Mulberry Room of the Hotel Utica on the evening of March 30. Approximately twenty members of the Board attended the banquet, at which next year's editorial and business staffs were announced.

After the banquet, Robert L. Allen, retiring editor-in-chief, named E. Welles Kellogg Jr. as his successor, and stated that Alan B. McMillen would fill the post of managing editor, which has been created for the coming year. Edward C. Persike Jr. will head the business staff, succeeding W. McGregor Deller as business manager.

Allen's Work Praised

Several members of the retiring board spoke briefly at the banquet, as did the newly appointed officers. Winant Sidle, sports editor for the past year, expressed the appreciation of the rest of the board for the splendid work done by Allen in improving the editorial standard of **Hamilton Life** and in increasing its prestige among the undergraduates. Allen closed the banquet by thanking all the members of the staff for their untiring assistance during the past year, and urged the new staff to remain loyal to **Hamilton Life**, and to give the new editors their full support. By so doing, he said, they would be able to make of **Hamilton Life** a paper worthy of the college.

The remaining members of next year's board were appointed at a meeting of the seniors held directly after the banquet. The complete list of both staffs follows:

Editorial Staff

Editor-in-Chief—E. Welles Kellogg Jr.; Managing Editor—Alan B. McMillen; News Editor—Robert M. Palmer; Feature Editor—

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Election of New Men To Phi Beta Kappa Is Announced

On Wednesday morning, President Ferry announced that seven more seniors had been elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity. Those selected were John J. Bingenheimer, Niagara Falls; Allan W. Cantor, Staten Island; Thomas R. Dedell, Yorkville; Peter C. Hoch, Zollikon-bei-Zurich, Switzerland; Carleton G. Power, Albany; William E. Read, Flint, Mich.; and Raymond A. Russell, Buffalo—all of the Class of 1938.

No date has as yet been chosen for the induction of these men, who form the second group to be elected from the senior class. The other members of the Class of 1938, who were selected last fall, include Robert L. Allen, Hamadan, Iran; Walter F. Cronin, Oneida; David M. Ellis, Utica; Charles R. Gibbs, Whitesboro; and Alfred L. Putnam, Olean.

Crawford Gives Wood Lecture

On Wednesday evening, April 13, in the Chapel, Professor Finla G. Crawford, of Syracuse University, delivered the seventh annual Frank Hoyt Wood Memorial Lecture in Political Science. Dr. Crawford, who was recently chosen Dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Syracuse, spoke on "Progress Toward Centralization in New York State Government".

Dr. Crawford traced the historical development of centralization in New York, and showed that it began as early as 1790. He maintained that centralization is a typical trend, even in the educational system.

Wm. E. Weld Jr., '35, New Field Secretary

William E. Weld Jr., who was graduated from Hamilton in 1935, has been appointed Assistant Secretary of Admissions for next year, to succeed Fendall W. Yerxa, it was announced shortly before the Spring Recess.

Mr. Weld has been teaching for the past three years in Athens College, Athens, Greece, and is returning to Hamilton both to take his position in the Registrar's Office and to get his Master's Degree. A member of Pentagon, Phi Beta Kappa, and Delta Kappa Epsilon, he was also high-score man on the Hamilton basketball team during the season of 1933-34.

Mr. Weld has not yet left Athens, but will be in Clinton to take up his duties on June 11.

In Appreciation . . .

The Staff of HAMILTON LIFE wishes to take this opportunity to thank all those Alumni whose contributions have made the printing of this and of the next few issues possible. The debt of gratitude which HAMILTON LIFE owes those who so loyally responded to its plea for assistance is one which cannot easily be repaid. After all, it is not the duty of the Alumni to print LIFE; yet many Alumni have already contributed willingly, and several who are unable to contribute have taken the time and trouble to write, saying that they wished they could. Fully as gratifying as the contributions that have been received are the letters that have accompanied them. They have been sympathetic and encouraging, invaluable in their suggestions and helpful criticism.

Perhaps the news that the Staff of HAMILTON LIFE is financially unable to print any more issues without outside aid came as a surprise to many. Certainly the dropping of the last three issues requires an explanation. It is for this reason that the Staff has decided, in reply to the queries of several Alumni, to present here a brief statement of LIFE's assets and liabilities, and a few of the causes for its present difficulties.

Last fall it was the intention of the Staff to print 25 issues. A minimum of 25 issues would have cost approximately $2390 to print, and if national advertising this year had equalled last year's total, HAMILTON LIFE's income for the current year would have amounted to well over $2450. But because of the present Business Recession, national advertising has dropped considerably, and several local advertisers have found themselves unable to pay for their advertisements. Two or three have even closed shop and left

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Freshman Society Selects New Members

The Quadrangle Club, freshman honorary society, recently elected new members from the Class of '41. These men, twenty in number, were chosen on the basis of their extra-curricular activities.

The following are the new members of Quadrangle: Sigma Phi—F. P. Jessup, J. F. Juraschek; Alpha Delta Phi—B. H. Davis, vice-president, P. M. Hatch, secretary-treasurer, D. A. LeFevre; Psi Upsilon—W. B. Eddy, H. B. Van Deusen, W. W. Perine; Chi Psi—E. H. Abbey, G. Bonney; Delta Upsilon— W. F. Weeden; Delta Kappa Epsilon—J. E. Wilhelmi, president, J. P. Mangan, G. M. Hayes; Theta Delta Chi—R. C. Allman, E. W. Horne; Emerson Literary Society—R. W. Towner; Lambda Chi Alpha—W. M. Lowden; Neutrals—J. F. Williams, A. A. Petronio.

FLASH

In the elections held this morning after chapel Martin F. Hilfinger Jr., '39, was elected to the presidency of the Executive Council for the year 1938-39. The other candidates were W. G. Erickson Jr., R. H. Farrell, and L. R. Hole.

This morning, the interfraternity council decided to publish a pamphlet next fall containing the board, room rent, initiation fees, etc., of the various fraternities on the Hill. This material is expected to be of considerable aid to the incoming freshmen next fall during rushing season. It will be sent to each member of next year's freshman class sometime during the summer.

The interfraternity council decided this morning to sponsor a softball league this spring. It will have a regular schedule, and will be open to all of the fraternities that are interested. A cup will be given to the pennant winner.

At a meeting held this morning, the Senior Class approved of the suggestion made by Fred Nichols, Chairman of the Senior Gift Committee, to donate 40 or more books to the College Library in memory of Professor Super.

Library Treasure Room Contains Many Rarities

Not so many years ago, it is said, the English Composition Department gave the freshman class the assignment of writing a theme on "exploring the library". Some of the boys took their job seriously, and in their rummagings found two passageways running along either side of the art room on the third floor. At the end of one of these alleys they found a ladder. Pursuing their explorations, they climbed it and crawled along the narrow pasage to which it led. At the end of the shaft was another ladder leading down and another space between the walls. There they found an unlocked door, which opened into the Treasure Room, that sanctum sanctorum which few Hamilton students ever enter.

The news got around, and in a remarkably short time there were numerous freshmen making the dusty journey through the air shaft. The news also got around to the librarians, who put their heads together and thought up the second neatest trick of the week: they removed the ladder in the treasure room closet and locked the closet door. As a result, the bright young freshmen who dropped down into the closet found themselves with no means of egress. Every half hour or so, for a week thereafter, some kind-hearted librarian would climb the stairs and release accumulated freshmen. It is said that the captives were pretty sheepish about the whole thing.

The purpose of the treasure room, however, is not to prevent undergraduates from using the books, but to save wear and tear on books too valuable to be kept on the stack shelves. All the volumes in the treasure room are listed in the main catalogue. If anybody wants to use any of them, he will find the librarians only too willing to take him into the treasure room and to help him find the book he wants. Except for rare books such as incunabula, of which the Library has sixty-four, most of the books in the treasure room have duplicates in the stacks. For example, the Weimar edition of Goethe's works is in the treasure room, but the complete works of Goethe, in one edition or another, are also to be found in the stacks.

The books kept in the treasure

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Sports Awards Are Made at College Dinner

Carmer, Laux Win Honors; Basketball and Hockey Captains Chosen

An all-college dinner was held on the night of April eleventh, at which time the awards for winter athletics were made and the captains for next year announced. In addition to this, several short speeches were made by various faculty, spring sports captains, and alumni, and the names of recipients of the annual basketball and newly-founded hockey honors were revealed.

Strickland Toastmaster

After the dinner, Mr. John L. Strickland, '04, who served as toastmaster, introduced Captains Fowler, Dalton, Riddleberger, and Kelley, who gave short talks on the prospects for their teams in the coming season. Following these men were Professor Earl O. Butcher and President Ferry, the latter of whom spoke briefly about the main speaker of the evening, Ralph Perry, '22.

Mr. Perry, whose home is in Cooperstown, where the game of baseball originated, told the undergraduates of the plans which have been made to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of baseball next year. In addition to many high school, small and big league games, the committee for the celebration has planned to have several college games take place. The speaker expressed his desire to see Hamilton represented during the week of festivities, and suggested a possible encounter with Union.

Awards Presented

Following Mr. Perry's address, awards were presented to those who participated in winter athletics. During the presentation of varsity sweaters and numerals, it was announced that Robert U. Hayes had been selected to head the ice squad and James Quimby to captain the basketball team next year.

No fencing awards were made at the time because the fencing squad had not as yet finished its season.

Elgar Laux, '38, captain and goalie of this year's hockey sextet, was awarded the Paulding F.

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Charlatans to Produce "Outward Bound" April 25-26 for Benefit of Gymnasium Fund

The Charlatans will join other Hill organizations which have contributed to the Gymnasium Fund when they present "Outward Bound" in New Hartford on Monday and Tuesday, April 25 and 26. "Outward Bound", which will be presented under the direction of Professor Paul A. Fancher, is a deeply moving play by Sutton Vane dealing with death. It was presented here by the Charlatans in 1925, at which time the role of Mrs. Midget was taken by Owen A. Roberts, '25, of Utica, who will repeat his performance in this year's production.

Rehearsals for the production have been held in Commons for some time. Credit for an exceptionally attractive set of stage scenery, which portrays the bar of a large ocean liner, is due to Harrie B. Price, '40, stage manager, and to his assistants, Tom Bushnell and Jack Gardner, '41.

Tickets to "Outward Bound", which will be presented in the Players Theatre in New Hartford, will be sold at 50c to undergraduates, 75c to all others, the proceeds to go toward the Gymnasium Fund. All undergraduates and alumni are urged to attend one of these performances.

The cast for the play is as follows:

Scrubby.....Gregory Dwyer, '38
Ann....Mrs. Vincent Jones, Utica
Henry.....John Kelsey, '38
Mr. Prior.....Jerome Young, '38
Mrs. Clivenden Banks
Miss Martha Gates
Rev. Wm. Duke
Peter Hoch, '38, Utica
Mrs. Midget.Owen Roberts, Utica
Mr. Lingley
Andrew Canterbury, 39
Rev. Frank Thomson
George Beilby, '38

Gym Fund Committee Reports $390,000 Already Pledged In National Alumni Campaign

Trustees Decide to Adopt National Youth Administration Plan; Unnamed Donor Creates Annual Geology Prize

The development of greatest interest to undergraduates in connection with the spring meeting of the Board of Trustees, held last Saturday, was the appointment of a committee with full authority to proceed with the preliminary work necessary before the actual construction of the new gymnasium begins. This committee will be headed by Henry P. Bristol, '11. Expressing his displeasure at recently published reports of the Trustees' meeting, Dr. Ferry said that the committee would be expected to revise and complete the plans for the projected building, to select an architect, to submit the plans to contractors, and to consider the choice of a builder. The committee was appointed after the Gymnasium Fund Committee had reported a total of $390,000 already pledged by alumni and undergraduates; the Committee felt confident that the remaining $10,000 will be pledged soon.

In addition to selecting this committee, the Trustees granted promotions to two members of the faculty. Assistant Professors Lewis Hall Gordon and John R. Mattingly were elevated to the rank of associate professors. Oliver E. Treyz, '39, was appointed to succeed Peter Hoch as undergraduate assistant in public speaking. Treyz is a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity.

Accept Gifts

Four gifts were accepted and acknowledged by the Trustees, one being the library of the late Professor Ralph C. Super. A collection of geological books which formerly belonged to the father of Professor Nelson C. Dale was presented by Professor Dale to the college, and $1150 was accepted from an anonymous donor for the establishment of a 50-dollar annual prize in Geology. An additional gift of $50 was received from the parents of Edwin N. Harris Jr., of the class of '36, who died in his freshman year, to be added to the Harris memorial library fund which they have established.

Reversing its decision of a year ago, the Board voted to accept students under the National Youth Administration. This government agency provides funds, not exceeding $15 per month each, to be used as remunerations for jobs provided by the college. Not more than eight per cent of the student body may be benefited by this plan.

Putnam Root Fellow

Alfred Lunt Putnam, '38, was announced as this year's winner of the $1000-Root fellowship in science, which will allow him to pursue the study of the science in which he wishes to specialize at any approved graduate school. Putnam is affiliated with Chi Psi.

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Third Musical Art Concert Planned For This Friday

Miss MacFarlane, Contralto, And Mr. Kreuger, Tenor, To Offer Joint Recital

The Musical Art Society will present the third in this year's series of concerts next Friday evening, April 22, at eight-thirty at the Alpha Delta Phi Hall. Turning away from instrumentalists, the society has arranged a program of two talented young singers, Miss Elsie MacFarlane, contralto, and Mr. Fritz Kreuger, tenor.

Miss MacFarlane began the study of music at an early age, when she was placed under the tutelage of Jay Mark Ward of the Buffalo Conservatory. Since then She has given several remarkable performances, appearing under such famous conductors as Leopold Stokowski and Eugene Ormandy. She had the leading contralto role in Cian-Carlo Menotti's opera, "Amelia al Ballo", during its Eastern tour.

Centering the field of her work in Pennsylvania, Miss MacFarlane makes frequent appearances with the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra. With the University of Pennsylvania Glee Club, she has made several recordings.

Mr. Kreuger spent the summer of 1936 studying in Italy, and at present is under the instruction of Emilio de Gogorza, well-known instructor at the Curtis Institute. A few highpoints of the young

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Many Hamilton Alumni Attend The Intercollegiate Fencing Meet

The annual meet of the Intercollegiate Fencing Association held at New York City's Hotel Astor last Friday and Saturday, made the week-end an excellent excuse for an informal reunion of many Hamilton alumni, as they watched the team from their Alma Mater compete against crack fencers from many of the East's largest universities and colleges. All of those interested in Hamilton felt deep gratification at the improvement the team showed over last year.

For two days the ring of steel on steel was heard as the intercollegiate duelists, garbed in their white uniforms, gloved and masked, clashed on four strips laid out on the floor of the grand ballroom of the Hotel Astor. The spectators sat for the most part in silence, attentively following the parries and thrusts of their favorites, but now and then a cheer would break out from some part of the room as one of the swordsmen made an especially effective move. Among the most interested members of the audience was Frederick March, who recently did some fencing of his own in "The Buccaneer." He attended the meet all day on Saturday. The audience was very large throughout the event, especially so during the late afternoons and evenings.

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Hamilton Life takes great pleasure in announcing the election of George L. Barton III and Gordon R. Payne to its reportorial staff.

AS WE RETIRE . . .

It is with a feeling of regret that we have watched this issue of HAMILTON LIFE draw near—regret at having to surrender something which has meant much to us, regret at realizing how much we hoped to do and how little we have done. It seems but a day since we took LIFE from the hands of others, chafing at their mistakes, eager to show what we could do; but as we look back at the year that is past, we find that we have had our own share of mistakes, that we have left a trail crowned with a few successes, perhaps, but strewn nonetheless with unfulfilled ambitions. And we find others ahead of us, waiting to take HAMILTON LIFE from our hands; they are as anxious as we were to put into effect fresh improvements, to show what HAMILTON LIFE should really be like, to bring it even closer to their dream of perfection. But it is in just such a way that a college paper grows—by adding to what it has learned from the past the yeast of new ideas and fresh ambitions. And if any staff shall have improved the paper but a little bit, its work will not have been done in vain.

To our readers of the past year we would express our appreciation for their suggestions, for the leniency they have shown our errors, for their words of commendation and their helpful criticism. Their interest in the paper has made it a real pleasure to edit HAMILTON LIFE. And to those who take our places on the editorial and business staffs we would express our gratitude for their assistance during our tenure of office; without their untiring labor we would have been able to do little, if anything. It is with a feeling of confidence that we now give HAMILTON LIFE into their hands. May it mean as much to them as it has to us.

THE TRUSTEES AND THE GYM . . .

It is extremely unfortunate that colored newspaper accounts of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held here last Saturday should have created the impression that in spite of all the work that has been done to raise money for the new gymnasium, the Trustees did little or nothing to further the actual construction of the building. Such an impression is entirely erroneous. The Trustees actually did the one thing which will most speed the erection of the gymnasium—they created a committee with full powers to go ahead and complete all necessary plans preparatory to digging ground. These plans could not have been completed any earlier, before it was known how much money would actually be raised for the gymnasium. Nor could the Trustees themselves have done anything but appoint such a committee. And the very fact that the chairman of the committee is one of the men who have worked hardest to make the gymnasium a reality is, it seems to us, one of the surest signs that the new gymnasium is no longer a dream, but merely a matter of a few months.

Mr. Bristol expects to come to Utica himself within the next week or two to lead the committee in its work; the architects have already been instructed to proceed with revised plans for the gymnasium. Contrary to popular opinion, the Trustees did not postpone definite action on the gymnasium; they started it.

IT IS NOT TOO EARLY . . .

Now that April is two thirds over, it is high time to begin plans for the Interclass Sing. Last year's Sing was greatly marred because of the fact that preparations did not begin until late—so late, in fact, that even after one postponement some of the classes still showed lack of enough practice. Every Interclass Sing requires weeks of practice and preparation if it is to be as pleasing and effective as it should be. It requires the support and willing cooperation of every undergraduate.

The Interclass Sing is one of the most colorful of Hamilton's traditions. For many outsiders and alumni it is the outstanding event of the college year. It provides one of the most pleasant evenings of the spring term, and leaves behind it one of the most vivid of an alumnus' memories of his undergraduate life. It always draws a large crowd of interested hearers, many of them in no way connected with the college, and if for that reason alone, the undergraduates should be willing to do their part to make every Sing a memorable occasion. This year's classes should profit from last year's experience and realize that no Interclass Sing can be rushed into at the last minute. Preparations for it must be begun far in advance.

It is not too early to begin now.

IN APPRECIATION (Continued from Page 1)

town. And in spite of repeated billing, almost $200 remains to be collected for subscriptions. As a result, the Staff has found itself forced to drop issues—and with each issue dropped, income from national advertising drops, since national advertisers pay by the issue, instead of in a lump sum for the year.

At present HAMILTON LIFE owes $268.79, and is owed slightly over $300, of which there is little expectation of collecting more than $250. This means that before the present issue was printed, LIFE was not far in the hole, but it also means that LIFE had no money of its own with which to print more issues. It was for this reason that the Staff appealed to the Alumni, and the number of issues to be printed after this one (with the exception of the Commencement issue, which will be paid for by the new staff) will depend entirely upon the generosity of the Alumni and of any others who may contribute. The Staff will print as many issues as it possibly can.

The cause for HAMILTON LIFE's financial troubles are many, but a few outstanding ones may be mentioned. In the first place, the Business Recession has seriously affected both national and local advertising. In the second place, the Staff made the grave error of lowering LIFE's subscription price for this year from $2.50 to $2.00 in the hopes of increasing the circulation—which was not increased. Another cause is the small number of subscriptions: today, only 186 Alumni subscribe to HAMILTON LIFE, as compared to over 700 Alumni subscribers of six or seven years ago. Only 181 undergraduates subscribe to the paper, in spite of concerted efforts to increase their number.

The Staff of HAMILTON LIFE has done everything within its power to make more money, from offering special subscription rates to selling hot dogs at football games. It feels that Hamilton needs a weekly newspaper. But it sees no way of raising money for more issues except by appeal for outside support, and it is for this reason that it recently wrote letters to most of the Alumni.

To those named below, for their contributions and encouragement, the Staff wishes to express its very deep gratitude.

T. H. Norton, '73; H. A. Porter, '78; John Otto, '81; J. B. Flett, '85; H. T. Abernathy, '87; M. E. Owen, '92; Daniel Burke, '93; W. F. Canough, '93; F. P. Warfield, '96; B. R. Johnson, '97; H. G. Kimball, '98.

B. G. N. Holbrook, '00; W. J. Quinn, '01; G. L. Stryker. '01; J. W. VanAllen, '02; H. L. Jackson, '03; A. S. Davis, '04; W. F. Dowling, '04; E. N. Abbey, '05; A. F. Osborn, '09; G. L. Abbott, '10; H. C. Bates, '12; L. H. Bristol, '14; Robert Insley, '16; W. M. Bristol, '17.

R. S. Fowler, '23; J. D. Gregory, '25; T. L. McCready Jr., '29; C. A. Miller, '30; E. L. Stevens Jr., '30; E. V. Gross, '32; R. M. Diggs, '33; S. F. Engs II, '37.

Alumni Notes

By Professor Edward Fitch

J. D. Ibbotson, '90, after several months spent in Winter Park, Florida, recently returned to College Hill after visiting his son, J. Selwyn Ibbotson, '29, in Galveston, Texas.

The Rev. Marco N. Popoff, '90, died at his home in Sofia, Bulgaria, on February 20, after a long illness. He was a graduate of Auburn Theological Seminary and had been engaged in religious and educational work in his native land since 1892.

The Ref. Clarence W. Mason, '92, who has spent the last twenty-three years in ministering to the religious needs of the woodsmen in the lumber camps of the Adirondacks, retired from active service on March 11, and is now making his home in Ithaca.

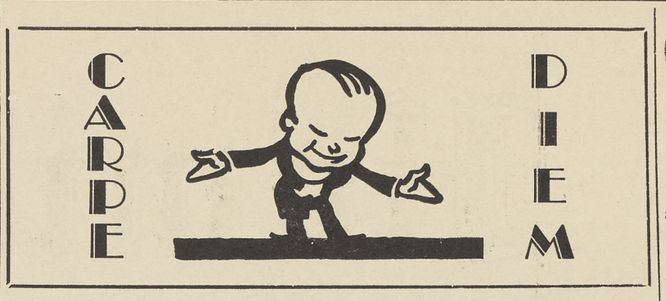
Announcement was made on March 15 that Royal W. France, '05, professor of economics at Rollins College, had been elected chairman of the Socialist party of Florida.

"Ezra Pound's Very Useful Labors" is the title of an article of appreciation in the March number of "Poetry, a Magazine of Verse".

William J. Krum, '29, who had six years of successful experience as a high school principal in Andes, then started upon the study of law, has returned to educational work and accepted the principalship of the Roxbury central school, where J. Graham Frisbee is a teacher of English.

Samuel A. Ives, '30, is in charge of the George A. Plimpton Collection of Mediaeval Books, which is a part of the library of Columbia University. He is also a candidate for the doctor's degree in classics at Columbia.

Wilmer E. Brees, '31, was reappointed in January to the Municipal Board of Public Safety in Oneonta for two years as fire commissioner, a position which he has filled since 1936. On March second he was admitted to the firm of the Oneonta Department Store, Inc., which he has served as advertising manager since 1932.



Once again life (?) at Hamilton resumes its steady, monotonous course. Wells has come and gone, but Murray Gardner feels that he still has a long way to go before he can step into the distinguished skis of Frank Taylor.

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We understand that Riddleberger's date, realizing that she was going with the captain of the tennis team, came attired in a pair of "semi-sneaks"—all set for a fast match.

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The Sigs again scored a marked social hit last Saturday evening when a couple of the brothers entertained the—uh—cream of Utica's Society.

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That meticulous gentleman of fashion, Mr. DeBernardis, has definitely forsaken the gym-suit for a pair of ultra-conservative slacks. The next thing we know he'll be going to P. T. in a cutaway.

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In view of the increasing cooperation between the Dekes and the Alpha Delts, the news-services of these two "frats" are contemplating a merger. A conference between R. U. Hayes and A. B. McMillen, chiefs of the respective grapevines, is scheduled for early next week.

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Last Friday morning, future Prof. Oliver Treyz was strolling nonchantly up to chapel. When he arrived opposite the Chi Psi Lodge, he noticed the absence of the usual stream of sleepy-heads emerging from that notable edifice. Thereupon his analytical mind grasped upon the realization that he was late. Suddenly the bell began to ring, and Ollie sprinted wildly for the door. He was so unnerved when he found only an empty and darkened chapel at the end of his mad dash that rumor has it he sat down and wept...He was still shaky as he took his seat Saturday morning.

Hoffman, Ellis Win Annual Prize Debate

Charles R. Hoffman and David M. Ellis, who upheld the negative side of the proposition, "Resolved: That the National Labor Relations Board be empowered to enforce arbitration in all industrial disputes", were the winners of the first and second prizes of fifty and twenty-five dollars respectively in the annual McKinney Prize debate held on March 23.

The members of the affirmative team were Walter F. Cronin and William E. Read. In addition to being debaters of three years standing and outstanding members of the public speaking classes all four men are members of Phi Beta Kappa. Prof. Willard B. Marsh, head of the Public Speaking Department, presided at the debate, which was judged by five Hamilton alumni.

A daughter, Nancy Raub Niemeyer, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Niemeyer, '30, of Rochester.

Chapel Markers Picked for '38-39

Eight members of the junior class selected on the basis of scholarship and character, have already assumed their duties as chapel markers for the coming year. They were appointed shortly before the spring recess, and will serve until the spring vacation next year.

The students appointed as markers are Frank W. Merritt, of Saranac Lake; Robert A. Richards, Baldwin; Charles W. Schultz, Baldwin; William G. Tice, Westfield, N. J.; and Robert G. Williams, Scranton, Pa. John R. Carter, David J. Doyle, and G. Roger Weeden Jr. will serve as substitutes.

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One of Tommy Dorsey's latest and best recordings concerns "A Boy from Harlem" and "How Can You Forget", two swell new songs by Rodgers and Hart from Warner Brothers' "Fools for Scandal". Both are sung with nice restraint by Edythe Wright. The latter is by far the better arrangement and includes one of Dorsey's incomparable trombone solos. The reverse finds Bud Freeman again showing why he is said to have the best tenor sax in the country.

Surefire swing from the pen of Edgar Sampson fills the tracks on one of Benny Goodman's new pressings. The song, "Don't Be That Way", has been featured several times on the radio as a Goodman "killer diller". Although it does not promise to climb as high as "Stomping at the Savoy", Sampson's last hit, this tune is very definitely in the best Goodman manner. "One O'Clock Jump", which occupies the B side, starts with a magnificient piano solo arranged by composer Count Basie, sepian sultan of the steaming Steinway.

Vocalion has released four new vocals by Maxine Sullivan, and it is a real job to choose between them. None is currently popular, all four having been written by great masters. The titles are Irving Berlin's "Blue Skies", George Gershwin's "Nice Work if You Can Get It", Cole Porter's "Easy to Love", and Sir Walter Scott's "Annie Laurie". All four sides are refreshingly different, the two best being "Easy to Love" and "Annie Laurie". Another brace by Maxine includes "Darling Nellie Gray" and "The Folks Who Live on the Hill." Maxine's sweet small voice on side A is particularly pleasing.

Bob Crosby, leader of one of the four best swing bands in the country, abandoned his Dixieland style long enough to wax two of the better ballads, "Please Be Kind" and "I Simply Adore You". The former is given perfect vocal treatment by Kay Weber, and the latter is crooned by Bob himself.

Jottings: Will Hudson's latest effort, "Off Again On Again", is merely a paraphasing of the old Dorsey Brothers' favorite, "Stop, Look, and Listen"; Maxine Sullivan is now recording for Victor; "It's Wonderful" and "I Was Doing All Right" should please Ella Fitzgerald fans; Glen Gray's version of "I See Your Face Before Me" finds the Casa Loma boys back in their old form. . .

Sports Schedules for Spring Season Which Will Open This Friday

Tennis
April 22—Haverford, at Clinton
April 25—Colgate, at Hamilton
April 30—Rochester, at Clinton
May 7—Hobart, at Clinton
May 10—Colgate, at Clinton
May 14—Rochester, at Rochester
May 21—Hobart, at Clinton

Track
April 30—R. P. I., at Troy
May 5—Union, at Clinton
May 21—Alfred, at Clinton
May 28—Rochester, at Clinton

Golf
April 27—Syracuse, at Syracuse
April 30—Rochester, at Clinton
May 7—Hobart, at Clinton
May 14—Rochester, at Rochester
May 17—Union, at Clinton
May 21—St. Lawrence, at Clinton
May 25— Union, at Schenectady

Baseball
April 22—Swarthmore, at Clinton
April 29—Haverford, at Clinton
April 30—Rochester, at Rochester
May 4—Union, at Schenectady
May 6—Albany State Teachers, at Clinton
May 13—Bard, at Annandale-on-Hudson
May 14—R. P. I., at Troy
May 21—Rochester, at Clinton
May 28—Drew University, at Clinton

Tennis Team to Open Season with Haverford This Coming Week-End

Hampered by the inclement weather of the past two weeks, the Hamilton tennis team is slowly rounding into shape in preparation for its initial struggle with Haverford next Friday. The match is to be played on the Hill courts.

Coach Gelas, when interviewed, was none too optimistic about the team's first match. "Rain, and the poor condition of the courts have necessitated the team's withdrawal to the gymnasium," he stated, "and it is difficult to find out exactly what kind of material we have by the boy's work in such limited quarters."

There are four men with considerable experience on this spring's team. Captain Hugh Riddleberger, Monty Pooley, Bill Getman, and Gus Erickson are all veterans from last year. The other members of the squad remain a question mark, although they will probably be picked from a list including Laux, Bate, Male, Harder, and Phelps.

The Buff and Blue faces Colgate in its second match of the season, playing the Red Raiders next Monday, on the Colgate courts.

CHOIR PRESENTS UTICA CONCERT ON MARCH 20

The Hamilton College Choir gave its first Utica concert in many years when the organization, under the direction of Professor Fancher, performed in the St. Francis de Sales Auditorium Sunday afternoon, March 20. The concert was given for the purpose of raising additional funds for the gymnasium fund, and netted well over $500.

Miss Florence Ann Reid of Buffalo, contralto, donated her services for the concert and was enthusiastically received.

ALL-COLLEGE DINNER—

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Sellers Jr. Memorial Plaque selection, being chosen by his teammates as "the hockey player who developed most during the season." This award was made for the first time, the plaque having been only recently presented to the athletic department by Harry O. Harman, '30, Sellers' former roommate.

Campbell Award

The Campbell Basketball award was made to Myron E. Carmer, '38, as the most valuable player on the hill quintet this past season. Carmer was high scorer of the year, also distinguishing himself on the back court by his sterling defensive play.

The proceeds from the dinner, which amounted to more than one hundred dollars, were turned over to the gymnasium fund. It was announced also that the Winter Carnival Committee had made a like donation toward building a new gymnasium.

The College Band under the direction of Sam Lake, '39, turned in its usual good performance, and with the organization leading the undergraduates in the singing of "Carissima", the meeting came to an end.

The Awards:

Hockey
Varsity Letters
Laux, Materne, Pooley, McGinn, Vicary, Hayes, Hummer, Lake, Nichols, Gardner, Bush, Rogers, Kelley.
Varsity Numerals
Judson, Giffin, Merriman, Rice.
Freshman Numerals
Joy, Hayes, LeFevre, Wilhelmi, L. Miller, Horne, Kiley, Hatch, Gardner, Bushnell, Thompson, Remmer, Frees, Mangan.
Class Numerals
Seniors: Moore, Wood, Dalton, Guilford, Hughes.
Juniors: Gadbaw, Hoppe, Underwood, Gilmore, Judson, Kempf.
Sophomores: Remis, Giffin, Merriman, Miner.

Basketball
Varsity Letters
Sullivan, Carmer, Riddleberger, Pugh, Quimby, Towner, Roider, Forbush, Davis, Keane.
Varsity Numerals
Nevin, Thomas.
Freshman Numerals
Williams, Petronio, Lowden, Weeden, Abbey, VanDeusen, Towner, Francis, Perine, Taggart, Davis.
Class Numerals
Seniors: Sidle, Getman, Dalton, Adams, Thomas, Tucker, Elliott.
Juniors: Cunningham, Ellison, Collins, Pugsley, Palmer, Hilfinger.
Sophomores: Cady, Sprague, Root, J. R. Williams, Vanderwaart.

Band Charms
Lake, Higinbotham, Treadway, Kempf.

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Varsity Numerals
Getman, Barlow, Eagle, Cardamone, Gouge.

Syracuse to Be Hill Golf Team's First Opponent

Led by Captain Tom Kelley, playing in the number one spot, the Hamilton golf team will open its spring season against the members of Syracuse University team on the latter's links next Wednesday.

The Continentals are facing what will probably be the toughest match of the season in their game with the Orange next week. The Buff and Blue nosed out the Syracusans last year in a close match, and members of this year's Hamilton team expect just as hard a battle.

The Continental team has not yet been definitely picked, for Coach Prettyman and Captain Kelley have a wealth of material to choose from this spring.

Graduation of several senior members of the undefeated Hill team of last year has left several spots vacant on this year's team. Kelley will take over the number one spot from Jack Sabine, last year's captain, who was undefeated in over two years of intercollegiate competition. Two juniors, Harry Gilmore and Larry Daw, are competing for the runner-up spots. Both of these men saw considerable service last year.

A new member on the squad this year is Tommy Bush, who will undoubtedly be of great aid to the Hamilton team this spring. Bush, ineligible last year, has proven himself to be of first-class calibre.

The remaining vacancies will be filled by two men chosen from a number of untried juniors and sophomores. This list includes Walt Rogers, Hamilton Gouge, John Giffin, M. E. Pickett, Jim Russell, Art Robinson, and Larry Kennedy.

Assistant Managers For Next Season Announced

Assistant managers for the coming year were appointed to three of the winter sports at a recent meeting of the Executive Council, Myron E. Carmer, president, announced the other day. Robert M. Langdon, '40, was appointed to basketball, while Donald S. Connell, '40, will assist in managing the 1938-39 hockey team and Francis C. Beakes, '40, next year's ski team. Other assistant managers for the coming year are Lewis B. Rock Jr., '40, football, and George H. Day, '40, soccer.

Langdon, a member of Psi Upsilon, has been active in dramatics and public speaking, having participated in the McKinney Prize Declamations last June. He is a member of the Charlatans.

Connell, a promising trackman, played second-string backfield in football last fall. He is a member of Sigma Phi and of Quadrangle.

Beakes was Frank Taylor's righthand man as assistant chairman of the Winter Carnival Committee this year; he is affiliated with Chi Psi.

Rock is another member of the Charlatans, and a member of Chi Psi; Day is affiliated with the Emerson Literary Society.

Fencing Squad Surprises In Intercollegiate Tests

Buff Tossers Will Meet Swarthmore

Strong Garnet Team Will Provide Hill's Opposition In Opener This Friday

Coach Mox Weber's baseball squad will open its season Friday afternoon against an experienced Swarthmore nine. The Hamilton team will be handicapped by lack of practice, and the squad has had so few days on the diamond that the starting lineup is only tentative at this date.

Captain Butch Fowler, '38, will probably be on the mound for the Buff and Blue, with Jerry Button, '38, also a veteran performer, behind the plate. At present it appears that Marty Hilfinger, '39, will cover first base. Second base is still a problem to Coach Weber since Gene Sulivan '38, has been suffering from a severe case of charley horse. Bill Towner, '39, will probably play shortstop, but third base is still open, although Cece Eagan, '38, appears to have the call here over Williams, '40, and Judson, '39. If Sullivan is in shape for the Swarthmore game, Myron Carmer, '38, will probably be in left field. But if it is necessary to move Carmer to second, Bill Kirk, '39, will be in left field. Walt Roider, '39, a veteran of last year's team and Bill Davis, '40, will cover the other two outfield positions.

Swarthmore invades Hamilton with a team that has been practicing outdors for quite some time, and that has the advantages of having already met Lehigh and Rutgers. Although they lost both games, they have at least met opponents, and in that way they will have a lead on the Continentals.

In discussing Hamilton's chances for a successful baseball season, Coach Weber stated that at present nothing definite can be stated. According to Coach Weber, all colleges have weak hitting teams, and therefore the success of college teams is 80% dependent on their pitching. In order to aid Captain Butch Fowler with the mound work, several hurlers have been practising for some time. Hilfinger worked as a pitcher last year, and while he has the speed, he is unfortunately a little wild. Davis and Young have both been pitching indoors, but they haven't had any experience outdoors as yet.

Dwyer Excels in Epee Competition

Buff Squad Evades Cellar By Beating Pennsylvania And M.I.T. in Scoring

The Hamilton College fencing team finished its 1938 season by providing several startling upsets in the National Intercollegiate Fencing Association tournament in New York City last week-end, and returned home with the knowledge that it had managed to climb out of last year's cellar position.

Although under a severe handicap as far as material and experience were concerned, the Continental swordsmen managed to finish tenth in total scores. They caused much comment in fencing circles by defeating both the Yale and the N. Y. U. epee teams 3-0.

The Buff and Blue blade-wielders finished seventh in the epee event, and tenth in the saber and foils bouts. Captain Greg Dwyer won his bouts 6¼-4½ to earn sixth place in the individual epee contests. He also surprised spectators by defeating Stanley Sarnoff of Princeton, championship contender, who finally finished third in the individual standings.

Fred Nichols ended in seventh place with five victories against six defeats. Nichols gained recognition by defeating Maurice Grasson, Yale ace, 3-0. Bob Williams garnered four and one-half points to gain tenth place in the Class C standing.

In the foils division each of Hamilton's three representatives won three bouts and lost eight. This meant that Bill Scott and Peter Warfield finished ninth in their respective pools, while Rae Nichols ended eleventh.

Bud Fullerton and Addison Wardwell each won four bouts while losing seven in the saber division. Tex Bramley, Hamilton's third saber contestant, chalked up one victory against nine defeats in Class B.

According to Coach Gelas, the Hill men made a splendid showing at the Intercollegiates. Hamilton was competing against some of the largest universities in the East, as well as against men who had fenced all their lives, and the manner in which the Hillmen fought gained them a fine reputation.

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Easter Preacher Urges Independent Thinking

Rev. Cady Allen, '07, Discusses "Doubting Thomas"; Sermon Defends Disciple's Honest Skepticism

The Chapel pulpit on Easter Sunday was occupied by the Rev. Cady H. Allen, '07, of Hamadan, Iran. Mr. Allen is at present spending his Sabbatical leave in the United States. He took his text from the twentieth chapter of the book of John, and discussed the character of the disciple, Thomas.

Mr. Allen pointed out that Thomas showed two important characteristics: an independence of mind, and sincerity of purpose. Thomas "failed to follow the line of least resistance". The preacher denounced the bad effects of a dull conformity to established standards, and maintained that experience and conviction should be personal and independent. This tendency toward conformity, he continued, this refusal to face the problems of life, has led directly toward the dictatorships to be found in the world today.

In discussing Thomas' sincerity, Mr. Allen pointed out that there are two kinds of doubt, honest doubt and insincere doubt. Thomas was an honest doubter; when Christ showed him the "print of the nails" in His hands, Thomas immediately acknowledged Him as the risen Lord, and payed Him the supreme tribute of the four Gospels. An insincere doubter, on the other hand, is not ready to face the conclusion to which all evidence points. The preacher pointed out the dangers besetting honest doubt: that of demanding too much evidence, and that of accepting the conclusion, without applying it in actual practice. He pointed out that we must accept much on faith—that essentially religion rests upon faith, not upon logical proof: "blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed".

At four o'clock in the afternoon, the last communion service of the year was held, at which the Rev. Mr. Allen officiated. After the service, the annual meeting of the College Church took place, at which Prof. Nelson C. Dale was re-elected as the treasurer of the College Church for another three years, and Ralph C. Nichols, '40, and Seth J. McKibbin, '41, were elected to the Session to replace the two retiring elders, Robert L. Allen, '38, and C. Kenneth Soper, '38. Professor Moore, the Moderator, gave a brief report on the activities of the Church, after which Prof. Dale read his annual report, which showed a substantial increase in the amount of money collected by the College Church this year over the collections of former years. The monthly offering collected at the Easter Service was combined with the March offering to provide a scholarship at the Avicenna Middle School at Hamadan, Iran.

D.T. Holds Annual Dance with Wells

A very successful dance for the benefit of the Gymnasium Fund was held in the Hall of Commons last Saturday night by the sophomore members of the D. T. society. Sixty-two girls were brought from Wells College and they proved to be attractive partners for the Hill students.

The girls arrived in two buses at five o'clock Saturday afternoon. They were invited to the various fraternity houses for dinner, and then danced from eight to twelve to the scintillating rhythms of the Glen Lane Orchestra under the direction of Sam Lake, '39.

The highly-important task of pairing off the dates was very adequately performed by Frances Stevens of Wells and Murray Gardner, president of the sophomore D. T. society.

Numerous girls from nearby cities were also present, so that approximately eighty couples attended the dance. Mr. and Mrs. Armour of Wells College were the chaperones.

HACKETT SPEAKS ON PERSONALITY BUILDING

Norman Hackett, well-known Shakespearean actor, spoke on the value and development of personality in chapel last Wednesday morning.

Reading from a personality rating sheet used by a prominent manufacturing concern, Mr. Hackett sketched briefly the qualities which business firms demand in their employees. He emphasized the importance of dressing neatly, of having a good posture, and of being able to meet people with the right amount of tact and aggressiveness.

Mr. Hackett concluded by saying that he hoped to be able to read Shakespeare at his next chapel appearance.

MUSICAL ART—

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tenor's career were his handling of the title role in Darius Mihaud's "Le Pauvre Matelot", when it was presented for the first time in this country, and his tenor soloist work both with the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra in Rachmaninoff's "Bell Symphony" and in Bucknell University's presentation of the "Messiah".

The renown which the two artists have gained for themselves shoud be ample proof that their renditions this Friday night will be well received by the Hamilton audience.

Spring Issue of Continental Best To Appear Yet

Shortly after spring vacation the long-awaited issue of the "Roy-Gaboon and Continental" introduced to the college reading public four new authors: Robert L. Allen, '38, Robert H. Andrews, '39, Robert L. Bacon, '40, and Philipp C. Sottong '41.

"The Empty Ballroom", Robert Allen's contribution, was by far the most impressive story in the issue. Well written and having a matureness lacking in too many collegiate stories, it carries the reader successfully through a strange and exciting adventure experienced by an explorer. Plot and atmosphere are well handled, and the result is more than satisfactory. Th story is unusual, and, except for a few perhaps unavoidable conventionalities of expression, thoroughly enjoyable.

Philipp Sottong, the only representative of the freshman class, shows promise in his "Middletown High", a criticism of high school teachers.

In a completely unadorned style, Robert Bacon, in his "Village Tale", tells the story of a man typical of the Adirondack people, presenting the simplicity of their lives, and the incommunicability of emotion which is characteristic of them: they feel deeply, but are silent and restrained.

Mr. Bacon is familiar with the region and people about which he writes, and is, as far as can be determined, the first person to write about them.

Young love and the vicissitudes of college romance are adequately portrayed by Messrs. Raymond A. Russell and Robert H. Andrews respectively, and Mr. Shankland speculates about "Jean: A Remembrance" in a simple style that is very effective.

"The Painted Porch" shows an increase in size and an increase in wit and real humor although it suffers in spots from careless writing.

Observed as a whole this issue of the "Royal Gaboon" is one of the best from the point of view of quality to appear so far, although it is woefully deficient in quantity.

(Another fault is the comment on the front cover, which is pointless and entirely uncalled for; **Hamilton Life** refuses to overlook incompetency because of the presence of spring.—Ed.)

Among The Clubs

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Biology Club

The April meeting of the Biology Club will take place at the Delta Upsilon House on Friday, April 22, at 8 o'clock. Reports will be given at the meeting by various members. President Frederick L. Nichols, '38, will explain the relationship between the pituitary gland and diabetes, while Frank H. Thomas Jr., '38, will talk on the sexual hormones. Robert L. Bacon, '40, will discuss heteroplastic grafting in embryology, and Maynard G. Priestman, '38, will give the genetics of cancer in mice. Robert A. Richards, '39, will close the meeting by explaining the composition of bone and the function of the bone cell.

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THE 1938 HAMILTONIAN

The bigger and better 1938 Hamiltonian finally went to press last week-end, and editors Fullerton, Sidle, and Guilford confidently expect that their publication will be out by May 11 at the latest.

The book, which is longer and contains more pictures than that of last year, is expected to be better than the annuals of recent years.

Nine Hamilton Undergraduates To Attend Mock Convention

Hamilton College will send nine undergraduates to the mock New York Constitutional Convention, to be held in Schenectady on April 29 and 30. The convention, for which Union College will act as host, will be composed of representatives from colleges and universities throughout the state. Those from the Hill who will attend include William E. Read, David M. Ellis, Charles A. Hoffman, Robert W. Shankland, and Walter F. Cronin, all of the class of 1938; and Hugh M. Curran, Oliver E. Treyz, Allan B. McMillen, and W. Allenby Jones, of the class of 1939. Prof. Francis E. Mineka will accompany the group.

Following the regular procedure of the State Constitutional Convention, which opened in Albany on April 6, bills will be reported out of committees, amendments to the State constitution will be introduced, and the specific proposals will be put to vote. A chairman will be elected by the body immediately after the formal opening of the convention.

Hamilton men who have already been selected to serve on committees are as follows:

Tax Limitation—Ellis, Hoffman, and Jones; Reform of Administration of Criminal Justice—Cronin, Curran, and McMillan; and Unicameral Legislation—Shankland, Read, and Treyz.

TREASURE ROOM—

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room are valuable for different reasons. Some are valuable because they are rare and very old; others, such as limited editions, are prized because of fine craftmanship.

Besides the books in the treasure room there are various collections, such as the Thomas B. Proctor collection of the autographs of all the Presidents of the United States, and the Putnam collection of autographs, which is a rather unique one—it consists of the autographs of every Hamilton College alumnus, living or dead, and is complete from the class of 1814 up to the class of 1936. The group of manuscripts on Samuel Kirkland to be found in the Treasure Room is one of the best in the country. Manuscripts pertaining to the College are kept there; some of them are dated as early as 1763. There are also a collection of ancient silver and bronze coins, the gift of Dr. N. Emmons Paine, '74, and the Edward Robinson Collection.

Mr. Edward Robinson, of the class of 1816, was an eminent Biblical scholar and philologist. When he died, his library of early travel books on Palestine and the Holy Land was purchased by friends of the College and given intact to the Library. Several of the incunabula are in this collection.

And last but not least, there is the Hamilton College Collection, consisting of three copies of every College publication, such as "The Hamilton College Bulletin", and the like. Most of the displays shown from time to time in the Reading Room on the ground floor come from the Treasure Room.

Faculty Club Entertains At Senior-Faculty Bridge

At 7:30 last Thursday evening, Professors Bonham, Marsh, and Hauch entertained a group of seniors and faculty at a bridge held in the Faculty Club.

The seniors won in the evening's total scores for the first time this year, by about 8,000 points. D. C. Tucker and H. S. Nichols, Tau Kappa Epsilon stars, made the evening's highest score.

Although more of these Faculty-Senior Bridges had not originally been planned for this year, there has been so much enthusiasm shown by both the faculty and the seniors that one or two more are being contemplated.

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John L. Strickland, '04, was appointed to the Executive Committee of the board, to fill the place left vacant by the death of Charles B. Rogers, who died last December.

The Chairman of the Committee on Vacancies also reported at great length at the Trustees' Meeting on the intensive work already done by the Committee in its endeavor to select a suitable candidate to fill the vacancy being left by President Ferry next fall. He said that the Committee had made many interviews and hoped to be able to make a definite report within the near future.

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